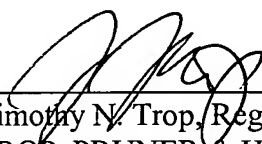


REMARKS

The claims have now been amended to include the limitation that the brushes are in contact with said wafer. It is the Applicants' position that the claims as amended are of exactly the same scope as the original claims and, therefore, no prosecution history estoppel could possibly arise. In other words, the interpretation taken by the office is so in conflict with well accepted principles of law that the new claims have precisely the same scope as the old claims, and that, therefore, no limitation of the claims should arise by this amendment.

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